

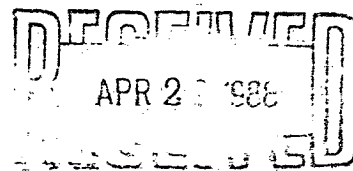
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Dear Doctor McAllister:

From July 6 - 8, 1989, the 5th International Symposium on Vasodilatation will take place in Strasbourg, France. The abstracts of the volunteer papers will be published in "Blood Vessels". The monograph of the proceedings will be published by S. Karger, Basel. Special emphasis will be given to endothelial function, atherosclerosis, peripheral and cerebral vascular disease and recent advances in the understanding of hypertension. As in the past versions, we also will focus on the contribution of basic science in the improvement and the understanding of therapy. We enclose the table of contents of the proceedings of the first four symposia of the series, in the hope to convince you that indeed these symposia have become a very important scientific event in the vascular world.

As always, and even increasingly so, the financial burden of organizing scientific meetings at the highest level is quite impressive. The relative lack of governmental funds for research and research-oriented travel makes the situation worse. The registration fee one can reasonably impose upon the participants hardly covers the administrative expenses involved. Still we remain convinced that it is absolutely crucial to continue to exchange ideas among scientists from all over the world, in particular in areas so critically important for medicine. Therefore, we would like to request financial support of The Council for Tobacco Research to help us organize the symposium on Mechanisms of Vasodilatation in Strasbourg. We realize that you must receive many such requests. Still, in view of the importance of the topic, we trust that we may count on your generous support.

We would, of course, be delighted to give you more details on the program of the upcoming meeting, when it will be finalized, in December of this year.

Sincerely yours,

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